TAKING CARE OF CITY COMMITTEEMEN.

Mayor Ziegenhein Appoints Pat H. Clarke of Twenty-Second Ward Factory Inspector.

OTHER "BOYS" REMEMBERED.

"Tub" Becker Reappointed Superintendent of Sprinkling and Committeeman Clarkson's Brother Gets Clerkship,

"Nuts" were distributed among the Ziegenhein "boys" in the City Hall yesterday by Mayor Ziegenhein, with the sanction of the City Council, and by Street Commissioner Varrelmann, with the approval of Mayor Ziegenhein. As a result, several fatthful members of the Republican City Central Committee have been remembered with "good jobs."

Pat H. Clarke, Central Committeeman from the Twenty-third Ward, got an office yesterday from Mayor Ziegenhein. At the regular meeting last night, the City Council unanimously confirmed the appointment. Carke is to serve as Factory Inspector, a new office. Councilman Carroll did not vote against the Mayor's appointment, but prob-ably because he recalled that Clarke will have to fulfill his duties indefinitely with-

Clarke, like other appointive officials, will be serving the city in his new capacity after Mayor Ziegenhein shall have retired, atter Mayor Ziegennein shall have retired, and in this manner the Ziegenhein influ-ence in the City Hall will be maintained. Perhaps Clarke, since his appointment, has been legally confirmed, will pursue his oc-cupation and eventually call upon the city

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for remuneration.

When the general appropriation bill was
reported to the City Council last July by
Chairman Carroll of the Ways and Means
Committee an item providing for the salary of Factory Inspector was eliminated at
Mr. Carroll's suggestion. He stated that
no one had been selected for the office and
the city could save that much money. The
supplemental appropriation bill, now pending, does not contain a provision for salary for Factory Inspector, either, But the
Central Committeeman has the office by
virtue of Mayor Ziegenhein and the City
Council.

"Tuh," otherwise known as Louis Becker,
Central Committeeman from the Seventh
Ward, was reappointed Superintendent of
Street Sprinkling by Street Commissioner
Varrelmann, and T. G. Clarkson, brother of
the Committeeman from the Fourteenth
Ward, was appointed clerk Mr. Varrelmann
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The other "boys" who will act as sprinking inspectors from March 15 to April 30,
and thereafter if an appropriation be made
for street sprinkling, are the following:
P. J. Kalbfell, J. C. Bensiek, Committeeman
from the, Third Ward, Gus W. Gockel,
John F. Horstmann, Robert May, Ferd. W.
Neu, Paul E. Sohmais, Joseph Walter, Gus
C. Wennecke, Charles H. Crocker, Edward
Breckschmitt, Daniel W. E. Koop, Nick H.
Harle, James A. Jones, Richard Lawler,
William A. Majer, John H. Roelker, Henry
C. Wagenmann, Martin Schuster, John H.
Fleer and Adam M., Ofenstein.

Mass Meeting and Platform. Colonel George D. Reynolds and other Re-

CHILD'S DIMITY APRON.

Diffle Pinafore That Freshens Up a School Costume.

Dressy little aprops may be made of dim-y, nainsook, swiss, percale or mercerized ofton, trimmad with lace and insertion and nished with hand hemstitching, which is

The apron illustrated is made of fine white lawn, with lace and insertion for decoration. The full skirt is gathered at the upper edge and arranged on the narrow belt, which fastens in the back under a large bow of lawn. The hems at the lower edge of the apron and ends of the bow are finished with bands of insertion.



6238-CHILDS' APRON. 16, 8, 10 and 12 years.

Narrow shoulder straps outline the bib. The straps are fastened to the beli back and front and trimmped with graduated ruffles of lawn, which extend out over the eleeves and end half way down the back. The ruffles and bib are prettilly trimmed with lace and insertion.

Aprons in this style are particularly appropriate for school wear, and have a fresh, dainty appearance, which is much to be desired. They form a stylish protection for a good dress, and often serve to cover up defects in one that has been worn for some time. some time.

To make the apron for a child of 8 years
will require two yards of thirty-six-inch
material. The pattern, No. 8238, is cut in
sizes for children 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12 years.

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be announced by the candidates on the slate ticket nominated on March 5. A conference was held yesterday to compare notes and suggestions. A mass meeting will be held Saturday night at the Odeon, and at this time Mr. Parker will discourse fully upon the declaration of principles upon which he and the others on the Republican ticket will make the race. It is expected that the platform will be made public, however, before Saturday.

CRUSH AT THE NOONDAY MEETING. Isase H. Lionberger and E. F. Cun ningham Made Telling Speeches.

The second of the noonday meetings under the auspices of the Jefferson Club in its downtown headquarters. In the Carleton juilding, was held yesterday and attended by a crowd that filled every foot of space in

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The speakers were Isaac H. Lionberger and B. F. Cunningham. Mr. Lionberger called attention to the shortcomings of the present Republican administration, and showed that although the revenues of the city were constantly increasing from year to year, practically no public improvements had been made, the increase in revenue resulting in no corresponding public improvement, but, on the contrary, the condition of streets, alleys and sewers had grown steadily worse. He declared that the only reasonable explanation of the situation was that the money was squandered in paying the salaries of useless officeholders. He said that until the City Hall was cleaned out, the pay rolls pruned and only the number of officials retained in public service that is necessary in the various departments, there could be no reasonable hopothat the funds which the taxpayers annually contribute to the public treasury would be expended in the improvement of the city.

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Mr. Cunningham talked along the same lines. He said that if Parker was elected it meant a continuance of the same old gang that had plundered the public treasury for the last four years. "Ziegenhein has told us," he said, "that he made the Republican candidate for Mayor. He has told us that he owns the boys that compose the machine and that the machine nominated Parker. Parker has said that 'the boys who do the work are the boys who will get the nuts.' So it follows that if Parker is the next Mayor of St. Louis, the boys who will get the he nuts will be the same that have gormandized at the public crib for the last four years, and who have eaten up the public funds that should have gone to the betterment of our streets, sewers, lighting and other public departments." The speeches were received with much enthusiasm. At the noonday meeting to-day, speeches will be made by Thomas S, McPheeters and Judge F. M. Estes.

IN THE CITY.

TAX BILL CLERKS APPOINTED— comptroller Sturgeon yesterday appointed corty-five clerks for temporary work in the collector's office in reviewing and comparing

DRAMSHOP HEARING—Excise Commissioner Selbert yesterday cited five dramshop keepers to appear before him next Monday and show cause why their licenses should not be revoked. Evidence has been procured by special officers.

RUNAWAYS SENT HOME—Claude and Charles McDermott and Vincent Murray, the young boys who ran away from their homes in Memphis, Tenn., and who were arrsted last Sunday morning in Caronde-let, were sent to their homes last night.

HOSPITAL FOUNDATION CONTRACT—
The Board of Public Improvements will award the contract Friday, subject to the approval of the contractor's bond by the City Council, for laying the foundation of the new City Hospital. Seven proposals were received yesterday. That of the Heman Construction Company was the lowest,

WORLD'S FAIR BULLETIN—The World's Fair Bulletin, a journal devoted to World's Fair topics and to features of the Louisiana Centennial Purchase, made its appearance last Monday immediately after the announcement of the passage of the World's Fair bill in Congress, The paper is edited by Colin M. Selph and will soon be issued as a weekly.

INCORPORATED-The Melsheimer Wine INCORPORATED—The Melsheimer Wino and Cafe Company, capitalized at \$55,000, yesterday filed articles of incorporation with Recorder of Deeds Hahn. The stock consists of 250 shares of \$100 each. Sixty percent of the capital is paid in. Charles Melsheimer holds 247 shares; George Melsheimer 1; Robert Melsheimer 1 and Edward Melsheimer 1.

TO INCREASE CAPITAL STOCK—
At a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Missouri Trust Company yesterday it was decided to call a meeting of the stockholders of the company to vote upon a proposition to increase the capital stock from \$500,000 to an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000, and to transact such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting.

OPETICE AND INCREASE CAPITAL STOCK—
The adoption of this amendment was recommended unanimously. Amendment No. 3, which authorizes the increase of indebtedness for the erection of public buildings, conditioned upon a two-thirds vote by the people, which imposes in the Municipal Assembly the power to establish the rate of taxation each year and the authority to cause the collection of taxes, and which gives the Convention of this amendment was recommended unanimously. Amendment No. 3, which authorizes the increase of indebtedness for the erection of public buildings, conditioned upon a two-thirds vote by the people, which imposes in the Municipal Assembly the power to establish the rate of taxation each year and the authorized the proposition of this amendment was recommended unanimously. Amendment No. 3, which authorizes the increase of indebtedness for the erection of public buildings, conditioned upon a two-thirds vote by the people, which imposes in the Municipal Assembly the power to establish the rate of taxation each year and the authorized the condition of this amendment was recommended unanimously. Amendment No. 3, which authorizes the increase of indebtedness for the erection of public buildings, conditioned upon a two-thirds vote by the people, which imposes in the Municipal Assembly the power to establish the rate of taxation each year and the authorized the collection of the same three transfer of the condition of this amendment was recommended unanimously. Amendment was recommended unanimously.

OFFICE MEN'S NOMINATIONS—The following nominations for officers of the Office Men's Club for the year were made last night: President, Judge Shepard Barclay and Robert Parvin; vice president, Robert J. Shooler; secretary, Chester H. Krum, S. H. Long and L. C. Jones; treasurer, Ferd L. Garesche. Executive Committee—S. Blenenstok, C. A. Ekstromer, J. Y. Downman, W. F. Leonard, E. C. Becker, J. A. Bartlett, Jr.; W. H. Giancy and D. C. Smith.

WILL OF FREDERICK SANWALD—Frederick Sanwald, by his will, filed for probate yesterday, left property at Nos. 921 and 923 Market street and Nos. 2739 and 2739½ Laciede avenue and three lots on Louislana avenue between Shenandoah avenue and Sidney street to his daughter, Bertha, and his son, Frederick, on condition that his wife be supported out of the income of the property and that none of the improved property be sold until his daughter becomes 50 years old.

ORPHANS' AID SOCIETY—The regular monthly meeting of the St. Louis German Pretestant Orphans' Aid Society was held last night at room No. 500 Imperial building, southeast corner Tenth and Pine streets. President Ernst W. Moeller presided and Herman C. Kraleman acted as secretary. The following were proposed for membership and unanimously accepted: H. Tigges, Julius G. Hollmann, the Reverend Herman Wolz, John Nast, Mrs. Julia Nest, Doctor E. H. Bosse, Lawrence Martin, Louis Schnell, J. M. Friedrich, J. H. Sewing, Reverend John Boltzer, Adam Ph. Ofenstein, Fred W. Brand, E. F. Marienau and Henry Luecke. A. M. Buschmann, treasurer, reported receipts at \$700. A vote of thanks was extended to all members of the society, friends of the Orphans' Home, on St. Charles Rock road, the press and the public in general for their aid and support at the concert on February 14 last.

TESTIMONIAL TO TAWNEY.

Retail Grocers Urge That St. Louisans Prepare One.

At a meeting of the St. Louis Retail Grocers' Association, held last night at its quarters, at No. 1202 Olive street, thirteen directors were elected by the organization and a resolution was passed recommending that a testimonial to Representative Tawney of Minnesota be prepared by St. Louisans expressing the appreciation of the city for his effective work in securing the passage of the World's Fair appropriation bill. The resolution also commends the efforts of Messrs. D. R. Francis, Seth W. Cobb, and Corwin H. Spencer in securing the passage of the Fair bill.

Succumbs to Heart Disease.

Maryville. Mo., March 12.—Captain T. W. Gaunt, assed Tl died last night of heart failure. He was born in Kingston, Staffordshire, England, and came to Maryville in 1857 and established a nursery, from which he accumulated a large fortune. He is well known all over the State.

CHARTER AMENDMENTS GO TO ENGROSSMENT

Councilmen Carroll, Thuner and Meier Offer Every Possible Obstacle.

LONG PARLIAMENTARY FIGHT.

Merit System Proposed in Wiggins Bill Added to Sections Proposed by Public Welfare Commission.

The charter amendment bill, as prepared inder the direction of the Nonpartisan Commission for the Public Welfare, was sent to engrossment last evening by the City Council, with the merit system article of the Wiggins bill attached as Amendment

Several amendments of minor significance were made in the phraseology, but the only one of importance was that providing that special tax bills for special improvements be divided into seven installments.

The session was prolonged until 7:30 o'clock in the evening, owing to parliamentary obstructions interposed by Mr. Carroll, who simultaneously protested that his most ardent desire was for immediate action. Mr. Thuner alternated with Mr. Carroll in devising and presenting impediments and they generally had the support of President Meler while in committee of the whole. Mr. Horton, with the assistance of Mr. Richards, who was in the chair, practically forced Mr. Carroll to recede at every conflict, and it was probably due to Mr. Hor-ton's persistency that any progress at all was made yesterday. Mr. Carroll even at-tempted, after Mr. Richards reported for the Committee of the Whole, to prevent positive action. Mr. Horton, however, frustrated Mr. Carroll's efforts by moving for a recess to enable Chairman Richards to complete the report.

THE CONTEST. When the bill came up for consideration in the regular meeting, Mr. Horton prompt-ly moved that it be sent to engrossment, receiving a second from Mr. Richards. Mr. Wiggins moved for the inclusion of his merit-system article as an additional amendment, Mr. Hoffman offering a second, At this juncture Mr. Carroll demanded that Mr. Wiggins's article be read at length.

This done, Mr. Carroll moved to proceed with the regular business, and then go into the Committee of the Whole. His motion, seconded by Mr. Thuner, prevailed. After Mr. Richards had taken the chair the committee, pursuant to a motion made by Mr. Carroll, extended to City Counselor Schnurmacher and ex-Mayor Walbridge the

scinumacher and ex-Mayor Walbridge the privilege of participation at their pleasure. Then Mr. Carroll insisted upon the persual of the entire bill, section after section. After a heated discussion, Mr. Horton said: "I offer a substitute to Mr. Carroll's motion, to the effect that we dispense with the section-by-section reading." the section-by-section reading." This substitute motion gave the first occasion to learn the position of each mem-ber. The vote resulted as follows: Ayes-Gast, Hodges, Hoffman, Horton, Richards

and Wiggins. Noes-Carroll, Meler and

Thuner.
On motion of Mr. Thuner, the committee recommended the adoption of the amend-ment to the bill providing for street sprinkling throughout the year, after which Mr. Horton explained Amendment, No. 1. saying its object is to compel the Mu-nicipal Assembly to act on bills received from the Board of Public Improvements within forty days. Mr. Walbridge said the object would be to oblige the Assembly to go on public record if a bill should be "beld up." Messrs Carroll and Thurs TO CONTEST THE WILL—Mary E. Ayers and Joseph T. Ayers, by his next friend, Mary E. Ayers, began suit yesterday against Monroe R. Collins, Jr., to test the validity of the will of her husband, Theodore F. Ayers, who left an estate valued at \$6,500. By his will \$1 was left to Mrs. Ayers, and the rest of the estate was left in trust to Collins for the benefit, it is stated, of testator's son, Joseph. It is alleged that Ayers was incapable of making a will.

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which gives the Comptroller the right to correct manifest errors in taxation, was recommended. Messrs. Carroll and Thuner did not vote. AMENDMENTS ARE EXPLAINED.

Mr. Horton defined Amendment No. 4 as a new proposition relating to the cost of public improvements, providing for the payment for public improvements on the installment basis. Mr. Carroll strenuously contested the probable legality of section 1 of this article but Mr. Schmarnscher sec of this article, but Mr. Schnurmacher suc-ceeded in convincing the committee otherwise. Mr. Carroll also wanted section 8 to be stricken out, but his motion was fost. Mr. Carroll's motion for the expurgation

of an entire paragraph and the substitution of a similar clause in the Wiggins bill received no second. After some parleying Amendemtn No. 4 was indorsed, when Mr. Carroll tendered a motion for adjournment. Mr. Horton antagonized him and the com mittee sustained him by recommending Amendment No. 5, which provides that the Waterworks shall ever remain in control of the municipality, before arising to report to the Council.

The Wiggins article providing for the creation of a merit system commission of three members was added to the bill as MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE NOTES. Amendment No. 6.
The passage of the bill by the Municipal Assembly now seems assured. Nine votes will be necessary in the Council. It is thought that the following members will be favoruble, and perhaps President Meier also: Gast, Hodges, Horton, Hoffman, My-senburg, Richards, Schneil, Wiggins, and Thuner, the latter member apparently being satisfied with the measure as sent to en-grossment. A casual canvass of the House of

Delegates last night shows that several in-fluential members will vote for the bill. TINKER AS AN INDEPENDENT.

After Weeks of Indecision, He An-nounces His Candidacy.

Zach W. Tinker, who was a candidate for nomination for Mayor at the Democratic primary election, and was def atrd by Rolla Wells, announced yesterday that he would run as an independent candidate. His supporters met Monday in the Columbia building and after the meeting adjourned announced that Tinker would run, but the announcement had been supported by the support of the support o nouncement had been made so often before and subsequently denied by Mr. Tinker that it was not considered certain until verified by Tinker himseif.

Mr. Tinker said yesterday that he would have a full ticket in the field. His friends met again last night in the Columbia building, but the attendance was so slim nothing was considered.

NO EXTRA DIVIDEND DECLARED.

Mergenthaler Linotype Company
Pays Stockholders 214 Per Cent.

Merch 12 The directors of for the same office.

New York, March 12.—The directors of the Mergenthaler Linotype Machine Company have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2% per cent. No extra dividend was declared. The company has heretofore, since October, 1897, paid an extra dividend of 2% per cent in addition to the regular dividend at each quarter.

DEATH OF CAPTAIN T. W. GAUNT.

Well-Known Missouri Nurseryman

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TWENTY-FIRST WARD DEMOCRATS.

TWENTY-FIRST WARD DEMOCRATS. Organization of the Regular Demo-

cratic Club Effected. At an enthusiastic meeting the Democrats of the Twenty-first Ward at Brinkman's Hall, at Spring and Cottage avenues, Monday night, the Regular Democratic Club of the Twenty-first Ward was organized, with seventy-five charter members. The following officers were elected: President, Andrew F. Blong; first vice president, Joseph Ward; second vice president, J. A. Carroll; secretary, J. McD. Jones; sergeant-at-arms, Thomas J. Collet. Executive Committee-Toblas Burke, Thomas Fitzgerald, Thomas Fitzgerald

Mentioned for Chief's Secretaryship. Mentioned for Chief's Secretaryship.

R. E. Lee, a brother of Lieutenant Governor John A. Lee, is mentioned for the position of private secretary to Chief of Position Mathew Kiely. Mr. Lee is a newspaper man and at present is working on the Post-Dispatch. He was a Captain of one of the companies of the Sixth Missouri Regiment of Volunteers in the war with Spain and went with his regiment to Cuba. The rumor of his probable appointment could not be verified yesterday, it appearing to be more in the nature of a suggestion than otherwise. Chief Kiely said that the appointment of his secretary had not been seriously considered, and probably would not be for some time yet.

Political Notes.

—A Democrat rally will be held Friday evening at No. 4301 Natural Bridge road. Speeches will be made by Rolla Wells, Harry B. Hawes, L. F. Hammer, Jr., E. A. Noonan and William Jeff Pollard.
—The Public Ownership Party will hold meetings this evening at 6 o'clock, at West St. Louis Turner Hall, Beaumont and Morgan, National Hall, Seventeenth street and Allen avenue. Speeches will be made by Lee Meriwether, Robert E. McMath and others, and at Krampertz Hall, No. 593 South Fourth street, Professor Scott, of New Zealand and J. B. Moakley will speak.

COURT OF APPEALS DECISIONS.

Judgment for \$2,000 Against Franklin Fire Insurance Co.

The Court of Appeals met yesterday and

firmed.

State ex rel. J. W. Luther, respondent, vs. J.
D. Holcomb, appellant; Scotland County; reversed and remanded.
S. Hamil & Co., respondent, vs. L. C. Parish, appellant; Clark County; affirmed.
Anna Schaf et al., respondents, vs. John Peters et al., appellants; Clark County; affirmed.
W. H. Ritchle et al., appellants, vs. T. S. Carter et al., respondents; Audrain County; affirmed. James C. Harris, appellant, vs. the Weis-Peter-son Box Company, respondent; Pemiscot County; affirmed. affirmed.

Joseph Muth, executor, etc., respondent, vs. St.
Louis and Meramec River Railroad Company,
specilent; city: reversed nist.
Cora A. Ellis, respondent, vs. School District
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Stell et al., appellants; Femiscot County; appeal dismissed.

H. C. Baker, respondent, vs. C. A. Parker, ap-

Stell et al., appellants; Pemiscot County; appeal dismissed.

A. C. Baker, respondent, vs. C. A. Parker, appellant; Lawrence County; affirmed.

Charles J. Searles, respondent, vs. James J.

Lum, appellant; city; affirmed.

Charles E. Ellis, respondent, vs. Mississipol River and Bonne Terre Rallroad Company, appellant; Jefferson County; affirmed.

Farmers' and Merchants' Bank, etc., respondent, vs. William Loyd et al., appellants; Wayne County; reversed and remanded.

Harry H. Westbay, appellant, s. G. D. Milligan & Son, respondents; Barry Canty; affirmed.

American Hardwood Lumber Company, respondent, vs. Leander F. Nickey, appellant; Builer County; reversed and remanded.

Peoples' Bank of De Soto, appellant, vs. Oille Rensbrough, respondent; St. Francois County; affirmed.

Courte L. Dawson, respondent, vs. Aaron Dald-Courte L. Dawson, respondent, vs. Aaron Dald-Hansbrough, respondent; St. Francols County; affirmed. Carrie L. Dawson, respondent, vs. Aaron Dald-heim, appellant; city; affirmed.

TO LICENSE JUNK SHOPS.

New Bills Introduced in Council-Delegate Sheridan's Salary.

Delegate Sheridan's Salary.

The supplemental appropriation bill was referred back to the Ways and Means Committee last night by the City Council. The bill, alroady passed by the Council, had been amended in the Heuse, Mr. Carroll suggested that the bill be taken up by a conference committee, but Mr. Horton's motion to recommit it carried.

Mr. Thuner, who voted for the Central Traction bill, introduced a new bill to compel the street railway companies to sprinkle the streets between the rails. Failure to cenform to the proposed ordinance would be made punishable by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$500 for each offense.

Mr. Hoffmann introduced a bill to permit the St. Louis Transfer Railway to construct a switch track along Hall street.

Mr. Richards introduced, by request, a bill providing for the licensing and regulation of junk shops. The license is fixed at \$20 for business without a stand and \$20 for each additional cart; \$50 for a shop and \$20 for each cart above one. It specifies that the dealers must keep a record of transactions and report every morning to the Chief of Police. The bill was introduced in the House of Delegates by Captain Holtcamp.

The bill appropriating an additional \$1,000 for "costs and legal expenses. Chicago Drainage Canal," and the bill to grant certain rights-of-way to the St. Louis and Illinois Electric Railway were sent to engrossment. The bond of Louis Becker as Drainage Canal, and the bill to grant certain rights-of-way to the St. Louis and Illinois Electric Railway were sent to engrossment. The bond of Louis Becker as Superinterdent of Sprinkling was approved. A resolution providing that Delegate Sheridan be paid his salary, which has accrued since he has been a member of the House, submitted by Mr. Robertsea in the House of Delegrates last night, was adopted. Ellis granting the Webash Railroad authority to construct a switch track into city block 3918, and the Terminal Railroad to construct one into city block 293 W., were passed; also a bill permitting C. H. Meyer to build a platform scale at Twelfth street and Clark avenue; also a batch of bills providing for the laying of granitoid sidewalks. On motion of Mr. Tamblyn the House adjourned to meet at 5 o'clock Friday afternoon.

Protest Against Alleged Discrimination Against American Ports.

At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Merchants' Exchange yesterday a resolution was adopted protesting against the action of the chief shipping lines bringing goods from North American ports to London, which have combined for the purpose of enforcing a bill of lading which direriminates against these ports. Sieven new members were received by transfer, and the certificates of three deceased members were ordered redeemed, under the rules.

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Resolutions of respect to the memory of Charles A. Eberle were adopted.

A letter was read from Thomas F. Walsh, president of the National Irrigation Association, stating that it had been determined to have the meeting of the National Advisory Board held at Buffalo, N. Y., next October, during the Pan-American Exposition, and asking the exchange to appoint a member to attend the meeting. The president was authorized to appoint a delegate from the exchange to attend said meeting. Communications were received from the president and secretary of the Grain Dealers. National Association and the presidents and secretaries of the various State organizations, which held a meeting in St. Louis on February 22, complaining against the charge for weighing grain in carload lots.

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Resolutions of sympathy and expressing the hope for the speedy recovery of Second Vice President T. R. Ballard were unaminously adopted.

DIAZ'S END FAST APPROACHING. President of Mexican Republic Can

TO REDEEM CITY.

Democratic Nominees Propound Democratic Doctrine-Cheered by Thirteenth Ward Voters.

CROWD GREETS ROLLA WELLS.

He Urges the Upbuilding of St. Louis on Honest Business Principles-Daniel G. Taylor Scores Ziegenheinism.

The Democrats of the Thirteenth Ward held a great rally last night at Anchor Hall, at the corner of Jefferson and Park avenues, to listen to issues of the campaign by the Democratic speakers and other Democratic candidates. Never in the his tory of the ward was a larger Democratic meeting held.

At 8 o'clock every seat in the hall was crowded, and a little later the crowd had swelled to such proportions that it was ab-solutely impossible to find even standing coom in the hall to accommodate it. The aisles were filled, men stood around the walls and at the entrance, all eager to eatch every word that dropped from the

speakers' lips.
The enthusiasm was unbounded through out the meeting, and the old Democrats of the ward said never before had they seen such a meeting in the old Thirteenth.

John T. Fitzsimmons, president of the
ward club, presided, and William J. Flynn,
the City Central Committeeman from the
ward, busied himself with the impossible task of finding standing room for as many as possible who were present. Shortly after 8 o'clock the meeting was

called to order. A few minutes later Rolla Wells and Daniel G. Taylor entered the hall. They pushed their way to the platform, and when the crowd realized that the candidate for Mayor was among them it rose en masse and gave him three hearty

D. G. Taylor on Ziegenheinism. Both Mr. Wells and Mr. Taylor took seats on the platform, and as soon as the cheer-ing had subsided Mr. Taylor was introduced.

He said:
"The issue in this campaign is Ziegenheinism with all its scandals. The Republicans are trying to pull the wool over the eyes of the people of this city by crying police law and Nesbit law. Before these enactments were on the statute books of the State, if there were one word of crizism that could be justly urged against them, the blight of Ziegenheinism was upon us. The Republicans know they are making a false cry when they attempt to disus. The Republicans know they are making a false cry when they attempt to distract the public mind in this manner. One of them said to me a few days ago, and he is what is regarded as an honest Republican, one of the 'holy of holles,' who lives near Charles Nagel: 'We know this is a false cry, but it will suffice to win for us, for it will fool the people and draw their minds away from the mistakes that the present Mayor has made. We'll howl so long and loud on the Nesbit law that the people will think there is nothing else to attribute the ills we now suffer to but to the Nesbit law.'
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"This is the way the Republicans expect to bamboozie the citizens of St. Louis. Will the people stand for any such tricks? I desire to say to you that never was a city dishonored as St. Louis has been by Ziegenhein. At home and abroad he is the solid profession of the city in the people stand for any such tricks? I desire to say to you that never was a city dishonored as St. Louis has been by Ziegenhein. At home and abroad he is the solid profession of the management in the moon-face Mayor, with the underline we can seriously expect foreign countries to contribute to make our great industrial Exposition a success.

"Lot every citizen wo out and do all in the power for the success of the Democrate ticket, which from top to bottom is the sower for the success of the Democrate ticket, which from top to bottom is the best I ever saw, to end that the taxpayers of St. Louis may know that their mony is bewhat it ought to be, a great and grand is uccess.

"Rolla Wells for Honest Government."

Mr. Wells was the next speaker. When he arose the audience cheered for several and its consistent of the city in which you live. God help us if the merchants and business men of this section of the city, interested, I know, in everything that may tend to better the general structure of the section of the city, interested, I know, in everything that may tend to better the general structure of the section of the city in which you live. God help us if the merchants and business men full to take interest in anything that may tend to better the general structure of the city in which you live. God help us if the merchants and business men fall to take interest in anything that may tend to better the general structure. The supplies was reselected section of officers resulted in the city in which you live. God help us if the merchants and business men fall to take interest in anything that may ten

Rolla Wells for Honest Government.

Mr. Wells was the next speaker. When he arose the audience cheered for several minutes. As soon as order came Mr. Wells said:

"I am glad to meet an audience of business men like I see before me. You are the merchants and business men of this section of the city, interested. I know, in everything that will tend to improve your condition and the condition of the section of the city in which you live. God help us if the business men fail to take interest in anything that may tend to better the general condition of St. Louis. Providence has been kind to us. A magnificent water course sweeps one side of our city. Plains tesming with weal smile on us from every side. No city in any land is more fortunately situated geographically. In business capacity and business enterprise she takes off her hat to none, yet, with all the natural advantages and intellectual advantages, everybody admits the local government is a disgrace. The finger of shame is pointed at us from every direction.

"This condition should not be permitted to longer exist. Our city should be made as fair as her advantages indients she should be. Are we adverse to deceney? Are we content to forever tramp in the mire, with our sick and insane inadequately provided for, and our water a disgrace to humanity? If so, vote a disgrace to humanity? If a melected I will take my seal without having made a single promise or piedge to any one, and my sole ambition will be to administer the laws in the interest of all the people, to the end that all may equally enjoy the blessings of good, honest government

George W. Parker, everybody would say that it was foolish to expect him to win with his jockey, Ziegenhein, wobbling him all over the track and running him into pockets at every turn of the route.

Parker and the Laborer.

T. L. Anderson was the next speaker. His address was received with the greatest enthusiasm. He said in part:

"The issue at this time is shall we have four more years of Ziegenhein. The Republican candidate, he said, had become a great friend of labor since his nomination, and after working his men up in Springfield for years on a scale of 124 cents an hour, had suddenly become a great friend of the working men and had increased their pay to 15 cents an hour. He closed his remarks with a grand tribute to the honesty and ability of the Democratic candidates and painted a glowing picture of what 8t, Louis would become under nis guidance."

James Y. Player captured the crowd with

Live but Short Time.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

El Faso, Tex., March 12.—According to reports received here and published in El Pavo papers, both Spanish and American, the end of President Diaz of Mexico is approaching, and in all parts of the supproaching, and in all parts of the Southern Republic and along the border political phases that will result are being energetically discussed.

General Diaz's long-continued illness and his advanced age are in themselves deemed sufficient evidence that he may pass away at any time, but the active preparations for a peaceful succession and the general discussion of his probable successor are received as convincing evidence that his present condition is regarded as a dangerous, despite the fact that official and unofficial denials that he is in any danger of deathers—full of enthusiasm. All the speakers would give to the office the best attention

of which he was capable, told the story of how he had registered in his ward. He said that he had changed his residence and had to reregister. In doing so he shocked the officers of registration by saying that he had been guilty of a great crime once in his life.

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For awhile he had the registration officers guessing, but when he told them his crime consisted in voting for Ziegenhein for Mayor four years ago they permitted him to register, on condition that he would never commit the same offense again.

"The promise was made," said Mr. Phillips, "and at least one good Republican is with us, I know."

Others who addressed the meeting were: James M. Franciscus, candidate for Treasurer: McArthur Johnston, candidate for Inspector of Weights and Measures, and William P. Rodemich, candidate for the House of Delegates from the Thirteenth Ward, and E. A. Noonan, Jr.

After the meeting a general handshaking took place between the candidates and those in the audience.

REGISTRATION BOOKS CLOSED. Canvass of Precincts by Clerks Will

Begin To-Day.

The registration books for the April election are now closed, yesterday being the last day for enrolling. The clerks will canvass the precincts to-day, to-morrow and Friday to verify the lists, and the Board of Revision will meet Saturday. The books will be returned to the board Monday.

All those who may have any valid excuse for failing to enroll may apply to the board on March 28, 29 and 30. Appeals to be presented on these dates must be valid and reasonable, as the board probably will have neither the time nor the inclination to consider ordinary cases. The only excuses that will entitle an elector to a hearing will be sickness, absence from the city, or some cause equally reasonable.

Charles F. Wenneker, candidate for reelection to the office of City Collector, declared last night at a meeting of the St. Louis Republican Club, that bands of men had been going from precinct to precinct and registering in the North St. Louis wards. Begin To-Day.

SOCIAL-DEMOCRATIC TICKET. ominations Filed With the Board of Election Commissioners.

The Social-Democratic ticket has been filed with the Board of Election Commisfiled with the Board of Election Commissioners.

The following are the candidates: Mayor, Lewis C. Fry; Comptroller, J. F. Grabar; Auditor, W. J. Carton; Treasurer, John Murnaghan; Register, John Schomacker; Collector, Julius Knoebel; Inspector Weights and Measures, Carl Unsheim; Marshal, Edward Brendel; Assessor, Chas. Wippermann; President Board of Public Improvements, Edward Heitzig; President City Council, William Blisbarrow; members of the City Council, Charles Unger, H. M. Graber, Andrew Trudel, E. C. Dieckman and August Uetrecht.

MANDAMUS HEARING POSTPONED. oard of Election Commissioners Giv-

en Until To-Day to Answer.

The mandamus proceeding instituted by Theodore Kalbfell, chairman of the Republican City Central Committee, and William H. Kahn, secretary to compel the Election Commissioners to hear complaints against judges and clerks appointed for the April election, was continued in Judge Talty's court until to-day.

The Election Commissioners stated that they did not have time to prepare for the hearing, some of them not having been served until yesterday morning with notice of the suit.

Twelfth Ward Democrats.

The Twelfth Ward Dockery Democratic Club held an enthusiastic meeting last night at Auer's Hall at the corner of Grand and Magnolia avenues. Speeches were made by Henry Bott, Mr. Gronenbold, Reno A. Auer and Andy Auer. The attendance exceeded 200, more than one-third of whom were Republicans. A resolution was unanimously adopted indorsing the entire Democratic ticket and condemning the action of Zack W. Tinker in running as an independent candidate after going into the Democratic primaries and being beaten. Another meeting of the club will be held next Tuesday evening. Twelfth Ward Democrats.

CUBAN SITUATION SERIOUS.

General Gomez Condemns the Platt Amendment.

Havana, March 12.—La Lucha publishes to-day a part of a letter which General Gomez recently wrote to a friend in San Domingo. Speaking of the present situation in Cuba, General Gomez said:

"Matters here have a serious aspect. This change in the people, who had begun to feel content with the Americans, is due to the Platt amendment. That ill-advised proceeding has wounded the sentiment of Cubans, who feel that mild disgust which such unreasonable behavior always produces.

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"This demand, thrown as a challenge in the face of Cuba by a powerful nation, will cause deep moral perturbation. People wonder how the United States, which are the exponents of liberty, can deny our right to defend the principle of liberty.

"Was our fight the result of hatred of Spain or of love of liberty? The United States are too rich a Power to ask of Cuba these crumbs of concession.

"The Americans should know that, as a star of greater magnitude, the United States will exercise a proportional influence on the nations of the American family of Republics."

HIS WOUND PROVED FATAL. Tom Woods Was Shot by Edward Abel.

Tom Woods, a bartender at No. 524 South Second street, died at the City Hospital last night from a buliet wound of the ab-domen inflicted in the course of a scuffe with Edward Abel, a bartender, early yes-

IN THE COUNTY.

-Harry E. Bernhardt of Jersey Shore, Pa., and Gertrude Wittgrefe of New York City were married at Clayton yesterday afternoon by Justice Greenfelder. Bern-hardt is living temporarily in St. Louis, en-gaged in carrying out a building contract. His fiancee came from New York to marry him.

him.

-Marriage License Clerk Wetzel yesterday received a letter from Cambridge, Ill., asking if a license had been issued five years ago to a man named W. E. Lowman or W. E. McCoy to a woman whose name the writer thought was Smith. Mr. Wetzel was asked to direct his reply to the manager of the Central Union Telephone Company, in Cambridge, Henry County, Ill. This is the second similar inquiry from Cambridge received at Clayton within the last thirty days.

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TEXAS MOB GETS **NEGRO HENDERSON**

Suspected Murderer Taken From Officers and Carried to Scene of Alleged Crime.

REFUBLIC SPECIAL. Waco, Tex., March 12.-John Henderson is the hands of a mob. Officers Hammond and Gillespie of Corsicana left here on the Katy at 7 o'clock with him, bound for Ft. Worth. When they reached Itasca they allowed their prisoner to leave his seat and walk out on the platform of the car, one in front and the other at his rear. They were overpowered by ten men who seemed to spring from every dark corner, and the prisoner was dragged from the train, thrown in a hack and taken away. The mob was noiseless and orderly and when they started off, said they were going to take the negro to Corsicana. The news of their coming has reached the latter place and they are ready to receive him.

When the mob got the negro in their

hands they sent a committee back after the officers and took them with them, saying they would be in Corsicana before sunrise.

TAYLOR PLEADED GUILTY. Ruth Nollard's Slayer Will Set Up

Claim of Insanity. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Kansas City, Mo., March 12.—"Bud" Taylor, the professional baseball player, who shot Ruth Neilard with a rifle, pleaded guilty this morning to a charge of murder.

The prisoner is acting like an insane person in his cell. He is closely watched by the Marshal.

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Once during the proceedings in court Taylor stood up in response to the Judge's order, but he sat down again almost immediately as formal arraignment was waited. mediately as formal arraignment was waived.

When an silusion was made to the claim of insanity to be set up for him, a faint smile flickered across his features. There was nothing about his conduct to indicate that he was suffering from any mental disorder. When attorney L. C. Boyle arose to enter Taylor's plea or not guilty, Judge Wofford asked him if he had any choice as to the time for trying the case.

"I would like as much time as possible," he replied. "It will be necessary to make a thorough investigation as to my client's family history and mental condition."

Judge Wofford suggested the fourth Monday in April. Attorney Boyle urged the difficulty in collecting evidence on insanity as a reason for delay, and Judge Wofford announced:

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"I will set the case for April 23, and I shall expect the defense to be ready at that time." that time."

Taylor was then removed from the courtroom, after a brief consultation with his

KILLED BY A STREET CAR.

Victim Supposed to Be John Goff of Hazel Hill.

A man identified as John Goff, a laborer, living at Hazel Hill, St. Louis County, was run over by a Forest Park and Clayton Road Division car of the St. Louis Transit Company at 10 clock last night and instantly killed.

The accident occurred on Ferguson avenue, about a block south of the St. Charles Rock road, in St. Louis County. The motorman states that the man was lying in the middle of the track and he did not see him until a few feet from the body. The body was caught beneath the trucks of the car and dragged some distance. The man's head was crushed and his neck and body badly cut and bruised.

The boy was remove to the morgue, where it was identified by several men living in the county, who were acquainted with Goff. The dead man is about 40 years old. The car was in charge of Motorman Henry Stilley. John Molden was the conductor.

OHIO DEBENTURE COMPANY. . Receiver Appointed and Liabilities

Said to Be \$229,000. Columbus, O., March 12—A receiver has been appointed for the Ohio Debenture Company on the application of F. Green, a stockholder. Green says the outstanding indebtedness is \$22,000 and the assets not more than \$75,000. The Supreme Court will be asked to pass on the legality of debenture companies.

